

currently has a small, part-time psychiatric social work practice.

Following a change in leadership in Suffolk County, Janice then worked for the Long Island Chapter of the New York State Head Injury Association. Then, in September of 1987, an opportunity arose at Stony Brook University, albeit temporary and part-time, in the University Affairs office as the Director of Public Affairs, which Janice accepted. Needless to say, Janice never left and since 1988 has been the Director of Governmental Relations at Stony Brook University.

In November of 1998 Janice married F. James Rohlf, a Professor in the Department of Ecology and Evolution at Stony Brook. They travel extensively, most recently to South Africa, Chile and Australia. Janice and Jim reside in Port Jefferson, with their cat, Tigger.

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE BLOCH

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2001

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise to honor George Bloch, Ed.D., who has been named California Administrator of the Year in the Superintendent Category by the Association of California Administrators.

Dr. Bloch began his educational career in 1964. Over the years, he has achieved an impressive record of academic and civic accomplishments, and, in doing so, has earned the admiration and respect of those who have had the privilege of working with him.

I would like to congratulate him and sincerely thank him for his outstanding and dedicated service to the Chino Valley Unified School District.

IN HONOR OF PATRICIA DONNELLY, RECIPIENT OF UNITED WAY'S CONGRESSWOMAN MARY T. NORTON MEMORIAL AWARD

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2001

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Patricia Donnelly for winning United Way's Congresswoman Mary T. Norton Memorial Award. This prestigious award is bestowed annually to women who have made exceptional contributions to the success of communities throughout the nation. Ms. Donnelly will be presented with the award on Tuesday, September 25, 2001, at the Meadowlands Crowne Plaza Hotel in Secaucus, New Jersey.

Patricia Donnelly has enjoyed an extensive and impressive career in journalism that has spanned over three decades. During her career, she has initiated and overseen the operation of several print journalism projects, including the Gold Coast magazine and the Jersey Journal's Spanish-language weekly, El Nuevo Hudson. In addition, she has served as

editor for the Jersey Journal's Hudson Dispatch and the Hoboken Reporter.

Throughout her career, Ms. Donnelly has impressively balanced her demanding professional commitments with her desire to help promote community service initiatives that improve the quality of life for families living in New Jersey. She has consistently assisted the United Way and other non-profit organizations, by helping them advance and broadcast their message to thousands of New Jersey residents.

Ms. Donnelly is a native of Jersey City, New Jersey, and an alumnus of Marywood College in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Currently, she resides in Hoboken, New Jersey, and serves on the Board of Directors for the Hoboken-North Hudson YMCA. Furthermore, she is an active member of the Parish Council at St. Francis Church in Hoboken.

Patricia Donnelly is happily married to Arturo Martinez, her husband of 25 years. Patricia and Arturo are the proud parents of Nora and Peter.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Patricia Donnelly for her commitment and dedication in helping foster and promote community service initiatives that have assisted countless families in New Jersey.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MARC HOLTZMAN TO THE STATE OF COLORADO

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2001

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, technology has become an important tool today in terms of nearly every facet of our lives—from legislation to the completion of daily routines. It has been used to reinvent many systems and increase ties between people. Marc Holtzman, the first Secretary of Technology in the State of Colorado, has accepted this new and transformational role to merge technology with government, economics and education. I would like to recognize the work of this honorable man and all that he has done, and will continue to do, for the great State of Colorado.

Following his graduation from Leigh University, Marc founded an investment firm called MeesPierson EurAmerica, which was later sold to become the 11th largest bank in the world. His time in Europe has allowed him to become an authority on political development. Now, he serves in the cabinet-level position for Governor Owens while earning only \$1 per year. During the week, Marc resides in Denver, but during the weekend he travels to his house in the Roaring Fork Valley—a great opportunity to enjoy the mountain environment amidst his responsibilities.

Colorado is home to many high-tech industries and Marc plays a crucial role in securing a successful future for these companies, along with creating an environment conducive to attracting new businesses. Furthermore, Marc has been put in charge of creating quasi-character schools that aim to build a bridge across the technological divide with the support of Microsoft's Bill Gates. Throughout all of his

projects, Marc has proven to be a valuable contributor to Colorado and has a high success rate in all that he does.

Mr. Speaker, at a time when technology is becoming such an important part of our world, the convergence of technology and governance is inevitable. Marc is ensuring that we implement this technology and in return, benefit the people of Colorado. Additionally, his charismatic leadership has led to many innovative experiments and successes. He is truly navigating Colorado through this remarkable revolution. I would like to honor his contributions and recognize the importance of his service to the State of Colorado. I extend my warmest regards to him and wish him the best in years to come.

RECOGNITION OF MR. ADEL KARAS' DEATH

HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2001

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge one of my constituents who was lost to us this past weekend in a tragic shooting.

Mr. Adel Karas, a resident of Arcadia, was shot in his grocery store in San Gabriel on September 15, 2001 in an attempted robbery that the FBI is now investigating as a hate crime. Mr. Karas had owned and operated the International Market in San Gabriel for two decades. As a Coptic Christian, Mr. Karas fled his native Egypt in the 1970's to escape religious persecution. It is difficult to think that despite living in the United States for 20 years, he may have lost his life because the perpetrators targeted him based on his race.

We will remember him as a warm and loving man who gave his best to his family and to his community. His family mourns his death and remembers him as a loving father to his sons and a good husband to his wife, Ronda Karas. Mr. Karas was also a care giver to his elderly parents, calling every day to check on their well-being. Furthermore, Mr. Karas was a respected businessman and appreciated by friends and neighbors. Our community mourns the loss of one of our own as is evident by the memorial filled with heart-felt cards and hundreds of flowers that has been created outside his storefront.

I am saddened by the loss of such a fine member of our community and wish his family and loved ones my greatest sympathies by acknowledging him today. Let us remember Adel Karas as a genuine, kind, and loving son, father, husband, and American.

RECOGNIZING COUNTY COMMISSIONER BILLY CROKER, POLK COUNTY, GEORGIA

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2001

Mr. BARR OF Georgia. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Billy Croker of Polk County, Georgia is one